

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~Provided herein is an arrangement comprising a A substantially flexible linear fixture post having a hollow tubular inner sheath -interior and protruding upwardly from the earth and having a first end portion and a second end portion. The first end portion of the fixture post is connected to an electrical junction box disposed in a subterranean location by means of a device according to the invention, which comprises at a , the second end portion connected to an electrical fixture attached thereto, such that the electrical conductors pass from the electrical junction box, through the inner sheath portion thus safely communicating electrical energy from the junction box to the fixture. Additionally, a spring [[means]] comprising a coil of wire, wherein the spring means has an outer diameter, an inner diameter, a first end portion, a second end portion and a length dimension, and wherein the spring means to defines a cylindrically shaped space in its interior; and b) a tubular inner sheath portion having a first end portion, a second end portion, a length dimension, an inner diameter and an outer~~

diameter. The surrounds the outer diameter of the sheath portion is smaller than the inner diameter of the spring means, and the sheath portion is disposed within the cylindrical space within the spring means. The length dimension of the flexible inner sheath portion is longer than the length dimension of the spring means,. The second end of the linear fixture post comprises an electrical fixture attached thereto, and the electrical conductors pass from the electrical junction box, through the inner sheath portion and through the hollow interior of the fixture post to the electrical fixture, thus communicating electrical energy from the junction box to the fixture.

**Amendments to the Drawings:**

The attached includes 3 sheets of formal drawings, replacing the original sheet which included FIGURES 1-5. FIGURES 3 and 5 have been now been modified to show an exploded view of FIGURE 3 as disclosed on page 8 ,lines 17-19 and flexibility of sheath depicted in FIGURE 5, see page 9, lines 1-2 of originally filed specification. The new FIGURE 6 illustrates the limitations described in original claims 3,4,9 and 11.

Attachments:

3 sheets of formal drawings for FIGURES 1-6.